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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
Yasuhiro SHIMADA et al.)	Examiner: K.T. Nguyen
Application No.: 09/819,906)	Group Art Unit: 2881
Filed: March 29, 2001)	Confirmation No.: 5368
For: ELECTRON OPTICAL SYSTEM ARRAY,)	Allowed: February 24, 2004
METHOD OF MANUFACTURING THE)	March 4, 2004
SAME, CHARGED-PARTICLE BEAM)	
EXPOSURE APPARATUS, AND DEVICE)	
MANUFACTURING METHOD)	

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Applicants have received a Notice of Allowance dated February 24, 2004, in the above-identified application. Applicants filed a Fourth Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement on November 6, 2003, a Fifth Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement on December 12, 2003, and a Sixth Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement on January 30, 2004, all prior to issuance of the Office Action on February 24, 2004. To date, those papers have not been indicated as being considered by the Examiner. Accordingly, Applicants request that the Examiner indicate his consideration of the material submitted in these Information Disclosure Statements by initialing and returning


copies of the PTO-1449 forms attached to those Information Disclosure Statements.

Attached, for the Examiner's convenience, are copies of each of the Information Disclosure Statements, the PTO-1449 forms, and the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office date stamped postcard receipts indicating the filing of those papers on those dates.

Applicants believe that no fees should be incurred in connection with filing this paper. However, the Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 06-1205, should any fees be associated herewith. A duplicate of this paper is enclosed for this purpose.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should be directed to our address listed below.

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